Mr. ALEX, CAMPBELL's block of stores, corner of James avenue and Main street, Windsor, is being torn down to make way for a new brick structure.

TILSONBURG'S assessment rate for the year has been struck at 18 mills. The sums required are: For interest and sinking fund, \$3,372.32; public school purposes, \$3,727.29; general purposes, \$5,679.68.

THE Union Furniture Company of Wingham have disposed of between \$6,000 and \$7,000 of new stock in their company. The buildings proposed to be erected on the old site will be of brick.

RICHARD HOWELL, grocer, left Milbrook for Toronto in 1890. He had a good trade in Milbrook and some surplus, but the latter has gradually melted away. During the last two years he has been unfortunate in the location of his store. Too much competition has finally brought about his assignment to E. R. C. Clarkson.

HERE is the result of some observation of business men and matters by Mr. Chauncey M. Depew: I have learned from observation that three things surely happen a man who works steadily without relaxation. In the first place he becomes nervous, irritable and hard to get along with. In the second place the grade of his work falls off and he is liable to err in his judgment. In the third place he dies suddenly. It is an incontrovertible law of nature.

At the recent fire in the village of Tweed, says the News of that place, the Waterous steam fire engine did excellent work. "Three minutes from the time the alarm struck she was passing the church and soon had two powerful streams playing on the fire. There is not a particle of doubt but that she saved the business portion of the east side of Front street from total destruction, and no one can tell how much more. She paid for herself several times over."

A SAINT JOHN paper of recent date notes the arrival of the steamer "Duart Castle" from the West Indies with sixteen hundred tons of freight and a large number of passengers, including twenty-nine Chinese en route from Trinidad to China. The captain says that every day the papers in the English and French West India Islands publish United States and English market reports, which are

furnished by the Panama Cable Company. And the company's agent at St. Thomas says the Dominion Government ought to be able to arrange for the furnishing of Canadian market reports to all these islands daily for £250 to £300. Captain Seely also suggests that merchants send their trade circulars down by the steamers running to the West Indies.

Two farmers named Hughes started a shingle mill at Kilworthy about four years ago, but had not sufficient capital to tide them over the dull season. Now they assign.—About six years ago J. J. Carson arrived from the United States in Meaford and opened a harness shop. It appears that he could not have had much money, and he did not make much, for we already hear of his assignment.—J. Peutney left Barrie early in 1894, and opened a general store in Sudbury, with, it is stated, \$1,500 cash. He too assigns.—So does W. H. Tait, implement agent at Gorrie.

It is something like two years ago that H. F. Gordon succeeded A. L. Hamilton in the drug business in Wingham, paying \$2,000 cash. A portion of that sum was obtained from his mother's estate. Last autumn he made heavy purchases of stock and was lately sued, and now he assigns. His statement, submitted at a meeting of creditors a few days ago, showed assets \$3,300 and liabilities \$700 less. It was then decided to give an extension of two years time. -H. Gregg, of Mount Elgin, started his son, W. H., in the tailoring and men's furnishing trade in the fall of 1889. The young man was not very attentive, and his father, seeing that he was not likely to succeed, took a chattel mortgage for \$500. An assignment followed.

H. WADDEL had about \$700 in the year of hope 1892, when he opened a grocery store at Dresden, but his failing, apparently, was trying to do too large a trade. Now he claims that he has lost \$700 through a private banker in Dresden, and in consequence creditors have accepted from him a cash settlement at 25 per cent. discount .--- Jackson Ford has been in the grocery business about forty years in Brantford, and now makes his second failure. The first assignment was made in June, 1884, with liabilities of \$26,000. This was compromised at 70 per cent. Finding that he could not pay this, his creditors then very kindly accepted one-half the amount. Mr. F. always did a large trade, but could not always refuse goods to customers who did not pay for them. Creditors this time agree to accept 40 per cent. of their claims.

The Oromocto Coal Co., at Fredericton Junction, N.B., have removed their borer from the banks of the river, and, under the direction of an expert, have commenced operations farther back from the river, and have been rewarded by striking a 20-inch seam quite near the surface.

THE Windsor Record declares that on the Michigan shore, opposite Sandwich, Ont., on the old exhibition grounds, will soon be established the largest salt factory in the world. The salt beds underlying that territory, as well as on our own side of the river, are practically inexhaustible. The quality of the Detroit River water, being chemically pure, is another advantage.

WILFRED PERRON, in general business at Chicoutimi, Que., for about two years, and a short time previously at Notre Dame de Laterriere, has made a voluntary assignment, and shows liabilities of \$1,400, with nominal assets of about \$2,000. His credit has always been weak, owing to smallness of capital, and lack of entire sobriety.—E. Rioux, of Bic, Que., recently succeeded to the store business of his late mother; he has compromised liabilities of about \$1,500, at 50 cents on the dollar.

THE following are on the list of Montreal failures for the week: W. A. Dunham, a manufacturer of lasts, has fyled consent to assign. The Plymouth Rock Tailoring Company, of which J. C. Taylor has recently been the sole proprietor, and who contested a recent demand in insolvency, has finally assigned, owing \$4,105. Adolphe Paquette, a building contractor in the western suburbs, has become insolvent, owing \$22,765, a good proportion of which is on mortgage.—A demand of assignment has been made upon A. Blanchette, butcher .-Robillard & Fils, saloon keepers, are compromising liabilities of \$2,100 at 50 cents on the dollar. --- Mr. P. Saulniers, shoes, is contesting a demand of assignment.—T. Dugal & Co., who began in the men's furnishing line some six months ago, are reported embarrassed, and a statement of their affairs is being made up, preparatory to a meeting of creditors. The senior member of the firm, which is composed of father and son, is reported to have been in business before unsuccessfully. — Gaspard Brouillet, shoe manufacturer, lately reported suspended, and who has been trying to settle at 40 cents, cash, has not been able to obtain the signatures of all creditors, and has now made an assignment.

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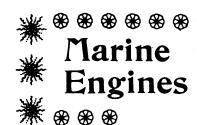
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